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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
Applicant: Peter Wohl et al.

Assignee: Synopsys, Inc.

Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR GENERATING AN ATPG MODEL OF A
MEMORY FROM BEHAVIORAL DESCRIPTIONS

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Examiner: Eduardo Garcia Otero Art Unit: 2123

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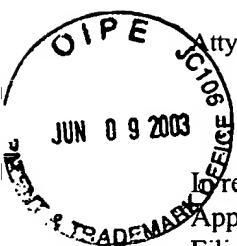
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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE SECOND OFFICE ACTION

INITIAL COMMENTS

Claims 1-36 are pending in the present application. Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter that Applicants regard as the invention. Claims 1-36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent 5,696,771 (Beausang) in view of MPEP 2144.04(II)(A) Routine Expedient Of Omission Of An Element And Its Function, Official Notice, and "Gate Level Test Generation For Sequential Circuits" by Kwang-Ting Cheng (Cheng).

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.
2. **STATUS:** Applicant is other than a small entity.
3. **EXTENSION OF TERM:** The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.
4. **FEE FOR CLAIMS:** The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Addit. Fee
Total	36	Minus	36	= 0	x \$18 =	\$0
Indep.	3	Minus	3	= 0	x \$84 =	\$0
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Total					Addit. Fee	\$0

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No additional fee for claims is required.

5. **FEE DEFICIENCY:** If any additional extension and/or fee is required, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0574.

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